RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 Corres. and Mail PROCEDURE-- EXPEDITED EXAMINING GROUP NUMBER In the United States Patent and Trademark Office Appn. Number 10/748,858 (Klingler) GAU 3683 Serial Number: Appn. Filed: Applicant(s): - Locking Beldy Override Mechanism Appn. Title: Amendment <u>B</u> Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents

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Amendment Under Rule 116

- please amend the above application as follows:

Pursuant to a phone conversation with the examiner on 7/22/04, and in response to the Final Action mailed 7/20/2004, the applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application, having made amendments intended to provide more structure to the claims while maintaining a breadth of scope that protects the novelty of the invention to the greatest extent while not being precluded by the prior art.